ENERGY STAR IMAGING EQUIPMENT (IE) STAKEHOLDER MEETING (2/14/06) NEXT STEPS AND ACTION ITEMS

The following next steps and action items were drafted by the participants in the 2/14/06, IE Specification Revision Stakeholder Meeting. At this meeting, EPA committed to refining this list and distributing it to all IE stakeholders. Please send all data or refined language noted in the below action items to Erin Trager, ICF Consulting, at etrager@icfconsulting.com. Please also feel free to contact Katharine Kaplan Osdoba, EPA, at osdoba.katharine@epa.gov with any questions or concerns.

By 2/17

- EPA revises definition of Standby as used in the specification, retaining the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) definition with an editorial comment for clarification.
- EPA removes mention of "Standby/Off" from test procedures and specification.

BY 2/24

- EPA circulates meeting slides and next steps/action items and posts 2/14 meeting materials to the ENERGY STAR Web site.
- Stakeholders interested in helping to define electronic labeling examples should contact Katharine.
- EPA distributes Draft 2 comment response summary, which will include clarification regarding the following items raised specifically in the 2/14 meeting:
 - EPA and the European Commission (EC) position on applying the ENERGY STAR mark on international partner Web sites;
 - Forms of acceptable temporary labeling; and
 - A list of functional differences that distinguish Digital Front-ends (DFEs) from simple controllers, for use under the functional-adder (FA) approach.
- EPA confirms that USB scanners are not included in the Operational Mode (OM) dataset.
- Stakeholders supply additional OM Large-format product data for consideration.
- EPA seeks duplexing data from Buyers Lab (BLI).
- Stakeholders propose possible alternative Typical Electricity Consumption (TEC) criteria lines, including rationale and data. Specifically, stakeholders suggest possible allowances based on media size (e.g., A3 vs. A4).
- EPA reconsiders TEC spec lines with the following goals:
 - Improve the number of mid-speed range products that qualify under TEC Table 1: and
 - Ensure copiers and MFDs do not require distinct TEC limits.
- Stakeholders review TEC dataset, which is posted on the ENERGY STAR Web site, for accuracy.
- Stakeholders investigate and indicate to EPA if IE products with internal DFEs can be metered separately.
- EPA evaluates suggestion to combine default-delay-time tables, using higher values.
- EPA distributes request for supplemental OM data, including the following items:
 - Indication of FAs present when currently-qualified products were tested;
 - FA-value suggestions based on data;
 - Confirmation of Standby data; and
 - Indication if external power adapter meets ENERGY STAR, if applicable.
- EPA works with EC counterparts to fully understand differences between their understanding of Standby and IEC definition.

By 3/1

- Mailing-machine manufacturers share standby data with EPA.
- EPA works with the ENERGY STAR training-lead and Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) liaison to educate the US General Services Administration (GSA) regarding upcoming specification changes.
- EPA considers duplexing proposals and finalizes duplexing requirements.

By 3/7

- EPA considers referencing computer specification for internal DFEs as a possible Tier II element.
- Stakeholders respond to 2/24 OM data request.

3/15 - 3/31

- EPA proposes appropriate Standby level for mailing machines.
- EPA distributes Draft 3 specification, to include new FA allowances and marking-engine criteria, for review -3/17
- Stakeholder comment deadline on Draft 3 distribution 3/31

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- EPA considers comments regarding possible Tier II elements and communicates decisions Early April
- EPA publishes Final Version 1.0 specification Early April
- EPA clarifies ENERGY STAR Guiding Principles in regards to addressing indirect energy savings in future specifications (e.g., duplexing, noise, warranties) Early April *Note: as needed to further refine FA allowances, EPA may issue a Draft 4 specification. EPA will determine if this additional draft is needed based on the level and type of feedback received on Draft 3. EPA will inform stakeholders of its intention immediately after the 3/17 comment deadline.

TIMING TBD

Note: All remaining timeline elements are contingent upon EC approval of the final specification.

- EC finalizes the specification date TBD
- Digital Duplicator manufacturers may join under Version 1.0 and submit qualified product data to EPA immediately upon EC approval.
- ENERGY STAR Online Product Submittal (OPS) system stops accepting qualified product data under existing MOUs Early January 2007
- Copier, MFD, mailing-machine, fax-machine, printer, and scanner manufacturers may sign the Partnership Agreement and begin submitting qualified product data under Version 1.0 – Early January 2007
- Version 1.0 specification effective date March 2007
- Partners must cease referring to products qualified under the Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) as ENERGY STAR qualified – March 2007
- IE partners and products qualified under Version 1.0 displayed on the ENERGY STAR Web site March 2007